



## Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works

Date: June 03, 2002

To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee

### Subject:

- ◆ Issuance and Sale of Bonds for the Hennepin Theatre District Streetscape (Project No. 2221) and Street Lighting Projects.
- ◆ Introduction of an Amending Ordinance for the establishment of a Hennepin Theatre District Special Service District.

### Recommendation:

1. Passage of a Resolution requesting the Board of Estimate and Taxation to issue and sell assessment bonds in the amount of \$706,000 for the Hennepin Theatre District Street Lighting Project with the bonds to be paid for by special assessment;
2. Passage of a Resolution requesting the Board of Estimate and Taxation to issue and sell assessment bonds in the amount of \$2,795,800 for the Hennepin Theatre District Streetscape Project with the bonds to be paid for by special assessment;
3. Passage of an Ordinance Introduction amending Title 17 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to *Streets and Sidewalks*, establishing the Hennepin Theatre District Special Service District.

### Previous Directives:

Resolution 2002R-171 and Resolution 2002R-172, passed May 17, 2002. Resolution 2002R-102, passed April 5, 2002 and designating the location and streets to be improved in the Hennepin Theatre District Streetscape Revitalization Project. Council Action enacted at the November 21, 2001 council meeting directing that the City's 2000-2005 Capital Improvement Program be amended to include the Hennepin Avenue Theater District Streetscape project.

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### Financial Impact (Check those that apply)

- ☐ No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.  
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)
- ☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget
- ☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget
- ☐ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase
- ☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves
- ☒ Other financial impact (Explain): **Special assessments to benefited properties.**

☐ Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

## **Background/Supporting Information Attached**

### **Background**

In November of 2001 the Council granted the local community request to amend the City's 2000-2005 Capital Improvement Program and include the Hennepin Avenue Theatre District Streetscape Improvement Project (see attached Official Publication for November 21, 2001 council meeting and November 14, 2001 TPW committee letter).

#### Hennepin Avenue Theatre District Streetscape Project

The streetscape project is to be constructed on Hennepin Avenue between 5<sup>th</sup> Street and 10<sup>th</sup> Street (the Hennepin Theatre District), excluding Block "E".

The project's scope of work includes decorative sidewalk, new street lighting, repainting of the existing signal semaphores, landscape lighting, streetscape furniture (benches, newspaper box enclosures, waste receptacles, bike racks), tree planters and trees. The project is estimated to cost \$3,600,000 and is to be 100% assessed to the benefiting property owners. This special assessment will be determined by applying the Lineal Foot of Frontage Method to the benefited parcels located within the project.

#### Hennepin Avenue Theatre District Street Lighting Project

The proposed street lighting project will install new streetlights along the Hennepin Theatre District (excluding Block "E"). This special assessment will be determined by applying the Land Area Influence Zone Method to the benefited parcels located within the project. This proposed assessment method consists of calculating the land area located within the project's lighting influence zone and each benefited parcel. The method is consistent with other lighting assessments throughout the City.

A public hearing was held at the May 9, 2002 Transportation & Public Works Committee (TPW) meeting. TPW recommended and Council adopted the passage and summary publication of Resolutions ordering the work to proceed and adopting special assessments for the Hennepin Theatre District Streetscape and Street Lighting projects.

#### Hennepin Theatre District Special Service District

On July 15, 1988, the City Council adopted a policy requiring the implementation of a means for maintaining all new streetscape improvements. Special service districts have become a common and effective method of instituting the Council's policy. The streetscape project's community representatives have proposed the special service district be Hennepin Avenue (downtown) from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to 10<sup>th</sup> Street (and excluding Block E). The subject of the Ordinance to establish such a district for the area was introduced at the City Council meeting on April 5, 2002, was referred to TPW for a public hearing. The public hearing was held at the May 9, 2002 and staff was directed to begin the development of the ordinance.

cc: Council Member Lisa Goodman; Council Member Natalie Johnson-Lee



# Hennepin Ave Streetscape

## 5th to 10th Sts

